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Court House And Jail.
AT
Prince Albert, North-West Territories.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the Deparement of Public Works, Ottawa, Puclic Wores Office, Winnipeg, and at tho office of Lieut.-Col. A. Sproat, Registrar, Prince Albert, on and after MONDAY, the 23rd instant.

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Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque, made payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to five per cent. of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the party declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order.
A. GOBEIL,
Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, 10th November 1885.

AVIS!

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Trroato, 20th Nov. 1885.

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1886.

Civic Elections,

WARD No. 2.

YOUR VOTE

And influence are respectfully solicited

W. JOHNSTON

to re-election for this ward for 1886.

Notice of Sale.

Under instructions from the Executors of the Estate of the late David Carswell, deceased, there will be sold at Public Auction, on the premises hereinafter described, on THURSDAY the 26th day of NOVEMBER next, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon the following parcel of land, viz:

The South-West ¼ of Section 24, in Township 13, Range 17, West of 1st principal meridian, consisting of 160 acres. There are about 30 acres broken on said land and a Log House.

Also at the same time and place, will be sold One Mower, One Rake, One Plough and Sett of Harrows, and some other small Farming Implements, &c.

For further particulars apply to R Spratt, Creeford Post Office, one of the Executors.

Dated 28th October, 1885.

R. SPRATT,
Executor.

REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY OF WINNIPEG.

The Presbytery of Winnipeg met in Knox Church on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Present: Revds. Jas. Douglass, Moderator; C. B. Pitblado, D. M. Gordon, Prof. Bryce, L. W. Bryden, Prin. King, Prof. Hart, A. McFarlane, J. Lawrence, J. Pringle and D. B. Whimster, ministers, and Hon. Justice Taylor and Messrs. C. M. Copeland and A. Polson, elders. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The clerk read a telegram from the Rev. M. McKenzie, intimating his inability to attend the meeting, owing to the death of one of his elders. The Presbytery excused his absence.

After transacting some routine business Rev. Mr. Pitblado reported that he had moderated in a call to a minister at Emerson, that the call had come out unanimously in favor of Rev. J. C. Quinn, M. A., one of our missionaries, and is signed by 32 members and 36 adherents. He also reported that the congregation had guaranteed a stipend of $950. He testified that Dr. Sanderson and J. C. Hoffman had been appointed by the congregation to represent its interest in the matter, whereupon Dr. Bryce moved that Mr. Pitbiodo's conduct herein be sustained, that he thanked for his diligence, and that the call be sustained as a regular gospel call, and be now placed in hands of Mr. Quinn for his consideration. This was duly seconded and adopted and the call accordingly placed in his hands. Mr. Quinn thereupon accepted the same and the presbytery appointed that his induction take place in the church in Emerson on Tuesday, Dec. 15th at 2:30 p. m., and that Rev. A. McLaren preach on that occasion. Rev. Mr. Pitblado preside and address the minister elect and Rev. D. B. Whimster address the people.

The Presbytery then adjourned to meet in the church in Emerson on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2:30 p. m.

Messrs Bowor, Blackburn, & Porter are opening a new store in Atkinson's old stand, corner of 6th St. and Rosser avenue.

Mr J. S. Hitchcock, of Plum Creek, started for England yesterday, to spend the winter. He took a few samples of his own growing of wheat with him, to show the grain that can be grown here. He also took some samples of oats with him. The oats weigh 49 lbs. to the bushel, and yielded 72 bushels to the acre from five pecks sowing. It is the third consecutive crop on the land.

In spring last, the mother of Mrs. Wyatt, of Rapid City, who resides in California, sent her daughter a five dollar bill through the post. It was lost in some way and found by one Frank, who lives near there. Mrs. Wyatt asked Frank to give it to her but he refused to do so up to the present. The other day Chief McMillan sent a policeman for Frank but he did not see him. In the interval Frank left the money with the Rapid City Postmaster, and the charge still stands against him. He will doubtless have a hearing for it.

A drop of three or four cents a bushel in wheat tookplace on Monday, but without any apparent cause, so far as one can gather from the looks of the buyers. The drop of 5 cents in the Chicago market occasioned some impression, but it should not interfere with Canadian prices, as Canada never exports to the U. S. Perhaps the main cause of the decline is the large quantity of damaged grain coming in, and the scarcity of cars to take it away. Good wheat is, however, readily picked up at 65 to 68, and the frozen runs down as low as 20 cents. The prices of other farm products remain as reported last week.

During the past year, we have listened to a great many complaints of school Trustees of what appears to be unnecessary stickling with its consequent delays, on the part of the chief Superintendent, Mr. Somersett. The principal complaint is his standing on unimportant matters, in connection with new school buildings, delaying the Trustees in issuing debentures, and in that way occasioning some serious disappointments. As the law stands now, no school district can issue debentures without the consent of the superintendent, and Trustees have informed us he has withheld that consent, because the inspector reported the black board was unsatisfactory. If this be true, all we have to say is these people have been subjected to hardships without a cause. It is very desirable that Trustees should be prevented from going recklessly into debt, as the country has seen too much of that in the cases of towns and villages but when a reasonable debt has been allowed for an actual necessity, such as a school building, children's play should not prevent them from going on with the work to a completion.

There is a sect in the County of Wentworth who claim that women have no souls, on the ground that in no place in the Bible is an angel spoken of as "she." True it is, that although in the Sacred Book angels are of the masculine gender. This sect has made little progress, however, at which all good men will rejoice, as heaven without women would give Sheol a boom.

The question as to the responsibility for the half-breed discontent that led up to the late rebellion, can now be considered finally settled, since Mr. ex-Judge Mathew Ryan has spoken upon the subject. The fact of our ex-Judge Mathew Ryan having formed an opinion upon any given subject ought to be sufficient to satisfy any ordinary mind, that he is correct and he only—and what he says "settles it"? But some people would like to know who is this ex-Judge Ryan that we read of so much in the Free Press? Is he a creation of the Free Press, or is he in the flesh? He is in the flesh, reader, and is one of the many barnacles which cling to the skirt tales of the now nearly effete Grit party. At one time he was a Stipendiary Magistrate in the North West Territories, and having retired from that position he is now entitled to be called ex-Judge Ryan. How fond some people are of having a handle to their names.

But this leads us up to the subject we most desire to speak about, and that is, why are the people of Manitoba inflicted through the medium of the Winnipeg Free Press, with all the nonsense, gush and bosh any old crank, choses to put upon paper? We would imagine the Free Press had a penchant for cranks, from the frequency with which it allows such men as Geo. Purvis, W. Frank Lynn and Mathew Ryan to use its columns.

It is true the sermons of this trio do no harm in Manitoba, when they are known, but a newspaper such as the Free Press which is necessarily circulated in other countries where the eccentricities (to put it mildly) of these gentlemen are not known, and consequently the stuff they get off, must do harm.

We are astonished that a leading newspaper like the Free Press should allow its columns to be polluted by the gibberish of these gentry. It seems only necessary for a man, who has been disappointed and unsuccessful in his pursuits in life, but who still retains that overruling conceit and desire for notoriety, which no doubt has been his ever present trouble, to interview the Free Press Editor—in order to be at once embraced by that individual and to be given full liberty to air himself in the columns of that newspaper. The Free Press has for a great many sins to answer, for but we think the chiefest of these is allowing such cranks as the men we have mentioned the use of its columns.

Drunkeness, or the Liquor Habit, can be cured by Administering Dr. Haines' Golden Specific.

It can be given in a cup of coffee or tea without the knowledge of the person taking it, effecting a speedy and permanent cure, whether the patient is a moderate drinker or an alcoholic wretch. Thousands of drunkards have been made temperate men who have taken the Golden Specific in their coffee without their knowledge, and to-day believe quit drinking of their own free will. No harmful effects results from its administration. Cures guaranteed. Circulars and testimonials sent free. Address, GOLDEN SPECIFIC Co., 185 Race St., Cincinnati, O.

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LEND A HELPING HAND.

Lend a helping hand, my brother,
To the weary ones you meet,
There are many bowed with burdens,
Fainting in the day's fierce heat.
Pass not by a toil-worn brother,
Let none ask for aid in vain,
Lend a helping hand, believing
Time will pay you back again.

Lend a helping hand, my brother,
There are chances all the way;
When you see a man discouraged,
Have a helping word to say.
Kindly words are balm and comfort
To the weary, and they make
Many a heavy load seem lighter;
Speak them for a brother's sake.

In the march of life, my brother,
Willing heart and ready hand
Make the way seem bright and pleasant
As we journey through the land.
Blest the hands outstretched to help us,
With a hopeful word and smile,
Lend a helping hand to others,
It is grandly worth your while.

—*Eben E. Rexford, in Good Tidings.*

BLACK FOR A WEEK.

The Prank Played by Two Old-Time Waggish Actors.

"What has become of Howitt?" inquired I, as I released a hand that I had not before clasped since the winter of 1864.

"Dead. Poor Jack; dead these fifteen years. While barn-storming with a company among the mountains of Tennessee he took a severe cold; was unable to go on with the company; was left upon the cold charity of strangers, and died of quick consumption. I did not hear of his death for a long time; have never seen his resting-place, but if I ever visit that portion of Tennessee he shall have a suitable tombstone. A mad wag was Jack!"

Kruger was right—Howitt was a mad wag, and in a company that made the Ohio, Michigan and Indiana circuit in the fall and winter of 1864, he had a peer, and that other mad wag was Kruger himself. They were the life of the company, and about all there was in it, for poor houses were the rule and salary days were a long ways apart. But while these two were the fun-makers of the company, they were also its terrors, for their jokes often took a practical turn, and no one knew when one of their pranks would make him ridiculous in the eyes of the spectators. One of these will bear recital here, and it is quite possible that up in the Grand River Valley there may be one or more dignified heads of families who, when he reads this article, will drop his *Free Press* upon his knees, remove his spectacles from his nose and quietly smile, for even practical jokes are forgiven after twenty years.

But I must digress for a moment. Hoyt was his name, and his father was a prominent clergyman in the Western part of the State. Jack went to the war as a member of Loomis' Battery, but in his first engagement a Confederate saber laid open his abdomen from side to side, or, as Jack used to speak of it: "One of these scientific surgeons wanted to observe the digestive process when applied to hardtack, so he opened up a hole in my stomach big enough to put in a pane of glass."

Discharged from the service because of his wound, Hoyt came home, wrote some excellent articles upon camp life, and secured a position upon the local staff of the *Free Press.* Detailed to write theatrical notices, he became stage-struck, threw down his Faber in disgust, purchased a very meager wardrobe, joined a traveling company then playing in Toledo, and became a genuine stage Bohemian. Kruger was then the "heavy" man of that company, though he drifted into comedy not long afterwards.

When Hoyt became an actor he changed his name to Howitt, "because," said he, "they sound so near alike that there is no danger of my missing an invitation to drink, while they don't look any more alike than a New York Alderman eating terrapin and a soldier nibling hardtack behind a stump, and that old father of mine wouldn't recognize the name even if he used a playbill as a marker in his Bible."

In the winter of 1864-5 the company found itself in Grand Rapids and practically stranded there. In vain was the "Ticket-of-Leave-Man," then a reigning sensation, produced. The few spectators laughed at "Bob Briarly's" woes and refused to give "Hawkshaw" a hand. The manager tried 'em with the "French Spy," "Octoroon," "Othello," "Lady of Lyons," "Fanchon"—everything from tragedy to farce; but it seemed impossible to "catch on" to a Grand Rapids audience. At last the "Hidden Hand" was thrust out and that created quite a ripple.

"Now, then," said Bob Porter, "give 'em 'Uncle Tom's Cabin,' with me as 'Uncle Tom,' and you've got 'em!"

Porter was a prominent business man, a whole-souled princely fellow, whom everybody was happy to know, the father of two lovely daughters, the youngest of whom made the most intelligent "Eva" I have ever seen—for Porter's suggestion was carried out. Howitt was the "Rory Marks," Kruger the "Deacon Perry," and the writer went on for "St. Clair." The play was brought out with considerable elaboration for those days. In preparing the details Porter insisted upon a "Plantation Break-down," and upon having the stage covered with darkeys in the auction scene.

"But where can we get the moaks?" asked the manager, doubtingly.

"I'll attend to that," replied Porter. "This town is full of young fellows who know how to dance a step or two, and they're just aching to black up and go on."

Porter was right. "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was the dramatic medicine for which Grand Rapids was suffering. The theater was packed when the curtain was rung up, and there was quite a crowd in the general dressing room—fifteen or twenty young gentlemen who were smearing their faces with

MERCHANT AND MELON.

A Wealthy Bostonian's Experience with a Country Constable.

One of Boston's richest and most respected retired merchants owns a large country seat in the near suburbs. The other Sunday morning he rose at four o'clock and spent the morning hours in walking over his broad acres. On this particular occasion his dress was more indicative of a tramp than of a millionaire. He wanted to go to an adjoining field to pick a fresh melon for breakfast. Going out well into the middle he deliberately chose the finest one in the patch and hastened to make his way out. As he jumped over a stone wall and was about to enter the highway, some one from the rear rushed up like a tornado, and grasping his collar with no gentle hand, exclaimed, while shaking the old man with a vigor that made that person think of his school-days:

"Ain't yer ashamed of yerself, yer old tramp, to impose on a respectable man this way. Stealing melons, are ye! Well, you won't steal any more this week, you contemptible old vagrant. I don't want to hear any of yer guff; I caught yer; that's enough for me." Then, with another shake that made his victim's teeth chatter with fear, he made tracks for police headquarters.

On the way the old farmer recovered in a degree his self-possession and ventured to remonstrate with his stalwart companion.

"How dare you attempt such a thing," sputtered the irate victim as he was forced over the road, regardless of mud or water. "Do you think I'll stand it? No, I won't," he shouted. "Pretty country this, if a man can't pick a melon on his own field. I say there, Mr. Jones, come here and help me!" he yelled, as he was traveling past a neighbor's house at an extraordinary rate of speed.

"Oh, shut up," puffed the sturdy policeman, as he tried to force "his man" along at a faster gait. "That gag don't work in these parts."

Suddenly the "copper's" chin dropped until it seemed to touch his waist-band.

A weary, troubled sort of an oath escaped his lips. Neighbor Jones had responded with alacrity to his friend's call, and seizing a crowbar, came down the driveway like a steam engine.

"What's the matter, Samuel? Where's yer going?" he shouted.

"Ain't going nowhere's, if yer'll help me. Make that jackass of a constable let go my collar."

The crowbar and a word of explanation had the desired effect. As the crestfallen officer turned his course toward the melon patch he muttered to himself: "The stingy old cuss! it was good enough for him."

The police force is still employed to guard the fruit-laden acres, but that particular constable has retired. His health was poor, the pay small and the experiences unsatisfactory. He is now trying to keep a first-class grocery.—*Boston Globe.*

A SILVER-SHOD HORSE.

The Way a Wealthy Woman Disposed of Part of Her Income.

A visitor to the Westinghouse stables, in the East End, sees among an array of handsome blooded horses one of peculiar beauty of color and carriage. Casual notice is quickened into close inspection when it is noticed that the horse never moves. He is dead. Though lifeless, he is, perhaps, the only horse in America to-day which wears a full set of solid silver shoes. Mrs. George Westinghouse is the leader of the East End fashionable life. Her dresses are the costliest, her receptions the most brilliant and her turnout the finest in the city. Her husband is said to have settled an income of $150,000 per year in pin-money upon her. She is a lady of artistic taste and a year ago she decided upon a team of cream-colored horses, with flowing, snowy manes. Such horses are as rare as they are beautiful, but Mrs. Westinghouse, nothing daunted, set about to procure them. Four agents were employed, and for months the country was scoured, and stables and stock-farms were ransacked to find the silver-tipped horses. At last the team was turned over to their delighted mistress. They cost but $3,000, but the expense of getting them was enormous. Mrs. Westinghouse, early in the use of her new acquisition, became concerned as to what she should do if one of them should die. The agents who secured the first pair were sent out to secure a third. They were successful, and the three beauties were soon on friendly terms. The strangest part of the story is, perhaps, that what Mrs. Westinghouse feared, the death of one of the original pair, occurred but two weeks after the third had been acquired. So much had Mrs. Westinghouse become attached to the horse that she ordered him sent to New York to a well-known taxidermist to be stuffed. There he was treated to silver shoes, and given as near as possible a look of recognition, so that when his mistress enters the stables none appears more glad to see her than he. The horse is groomed, blanketed and attended as carefully as if alive. His bed is always made, and his manger is always full of hay.—*Pittsburgh Cor. Philadelphia News.*

Xmas and the Holidays !

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FOREIGN

LONDON, Nov 28.—The British steamer Aurora, while leaving Hartlepool for Savannah, yesterday, struck a rock in the harbor. She subsequently proceeded on her trip, but foundered within two hours. The crew left the vessel in three boats. The first boat, with nine men, landed safely; the second nine men reached the shore with only six, the three others having been drowned; and the third boat, containing twelve persons, is missing.

A despatch from Belgrade says King Milan denies that he will abdicate. Advices from Sofia say the Servians to-day sent a second flag of truce to the Bulgarian lines proposing an armistice. The Bulgarians refuse to entertain the proposition until the conditions named yesterday were complied with. These conditions were the evacuation of the Widdin district by the Servians, and the settlement of the amount of war indemnity to be paid by Servia. The onward march of the Bulgarian forces continues

The Austrian Government has despatched instructions to the minister at Belgrade directing him to visit Prince Alexander with a view to dissuading him from the invasion of Servia The Russian authorities are sending rurgeons and medical stores to suffering Bulgarians. Servia is rapidly enrolling her reserve forces and sending them to the frontier to meet the Bulgarian forces which are advancing upon Pirot. Severe fighting in the neighborhood of Tzaribrod was reported to-day and the latest accounts represent the Servians retreating.

A despatch from Sofia states that the Bulgarians have retreated, that 2,000 Servians were killed at Widden.

BAYONNE, Nov. 26.—Letters from Madrid attribute the death of Alfonso to various causes. One says he died of pulmonary phthisis, another to tuberculosis of the intestines, and still another of general anaemia and failing health. It is stated that in the midst of his dissipation and extreme depression the King painted his cheeks to give him an artificial appearance of health, and he constantly persisted in disregarding the requests of his physicians that he should remain at his hunting seat, at El Pardo, declairing political reasons for his presence at the capital. Alfonso absolutelp refused to allow the doctors to hold a consultation. His mother and wife were obliged to implore him to permit the doctor to attend him, and when they entered the chamber again he deprecated their visit, which he said would cause alarm in Madrid. Avpodermic injectiods were made in order to induce sleep. The Rueen and Dr. Caminson watched at the King's bedside throughout the night. Tears coursed down the cheeks of all present when the King expired. Christena, who was tearless, with a wail of anguish, cried "Alfonso, oh God, he answered not! Alfonso!" Queen Isabella knelt, crying, "Holy Virgin, have mercy." When his daughters arrived there was a scene of grief on meeting their mother. The body of the King was dressed in the uniform of a Captain General. Upon his breast are the Austrian and Spanish crosses. The Kings features are thin and have a calm expression as if in sleep. Members of the Royal Family are continuously receiving visits of condolence. The Primate Government have made arrangements for a solemn mass to-morrow morning in the presence of the Royal family, after which the body will be borne in state to Madrid. The clergy will meet the remains at the outskirts of the city and the procession will pass through the streets lined with troops. The body will lie in state three days in the hall where the body of Queen Mercedes lay. All the noblemen have closed their houses and the shops and theatres will remain shut until after the funeral. Guns are fired every half hour.

FEMININE JOKES.

Mrs. Dudley will lecture and canvass for a book as soon as she gets out of the asylum. She will not be obliged to ask a man in his office to subscribe more than once.

"Does your pa object to my presence?" he asked, timidly creeping near his hat as he fancied he heard a footstep. "No; I don't reckon he will," came the confident answer; "anyhow, you can send them along and sorter try them.

Tropical Maid (to Irish milkman) "Missus says she's sure there's been a great deal of water in the milk lately, and if—"Pat—"An' can ye wander at it, my dear? Small blame to the cows this thur-rsty weather, poor craturs!"

COD-FISHING.

How the Cod Saves Himself from Death by Taking Ballast.

That a fish should ever do anything so unfishlike as to take in ballast would strike many people as paradoxical. Yet those who have gone down to sea in ships and are learned in fin-bearers' ways testify to the reality of this phenomenon. The cod is the fish which lays himself open to this cruel charge. He is known to actually gulp down stones almost as large as a foot ball and more than one of them, too. Why [illegible] so a reporter learned from a [illegible] cod fisherman yesterday.

"Why, yes," said he, "of course codfish take in ballast. Why, I've found eight or ten stones inside the fish's [illegible] after we've caught him. The cod [illegible] stone in order to keep himself [illegible] bottom during a gale. When [illegible] are cod-fishing you can always tell [illegible] there is to be a gale, or whether a gale has just passed that way. Then [illegible] get in a regular [illegible]. A good gale of course carries the cod up to the surface, where he has a hard time of it. You see there is a sort of bladder which forms in his jaw and runs out sometimes as far as a foot or so. This bladder fills with air and floats the fish, and keeps him from going down. So in order to prevent that he picks out [illegible] stones on the sea bottoms and swallows them. Sea elephants do the same thing, and often huge stones are found in their stomachs."

"How is the cod caught?" the reporter asked.

"They are caught on 'trollers.' There is a long line, a 'runner,' fishermen call it and at every fourteen or eighteen feet a short line five or six feet long is fastened. I used to have on my runners as many as three hundred hooks baited. The line would be baited on board ship, and the whole 'snood' would be coiled up into a tub tapering toward the bottom so as to give the line play. The coiling is very important, and you must take great care with it so as not to snarl the lines. For bait, dogfish, whitefish and such like in chunks bigger than your hand are hooked on. The boats put off with the tub in the bow, and when we'd get to a good spot the man in the bow passes the line all baited to the stern man, who throws it overboard as fast as it is paid out. It used to go out pretty fast sometimes when the tide was running strong, and many a fellow has got his fingers ripped open on the hooks. The whole line would then be anchored, and we'd wait until back water came, which would be in five or six hours, and then haul in.

"That used to be hard work. The fish would run small and large, and we would hook on skates and dogfish and whitefish and others besides the cod. Once when we were pulling up anchor we hauled in a big stone which weighed three hundred pounds, and was full of scallops and mussels and long and round clams.

"When we got the catch back to one smack we'd dress the fish and stow them away in fine ice. We used to work day and night sometimes, and once, off Cape Sable, I slept only nine hours out of five days and nights. A shipload which averaged sixty pounds to the fish used to be considered a good one. Sometimes the average would run as high as one hundred pounds. The cod runs all the way from fifteen to two and three hundred pounds in weight. I once caught one which weighed over three hundred pounds."—*New Haven News.*

A BEAUTIFUL LAKE.

Description of Crater Lake, One of the Wonders of Oregon.

There can scarcely be as great a natural wonder within civilization, and at the same time so little known, close at hand, as Crater Lake. Situated twenty-two miles west of north of Fort Klamath, in Klamath County, directly on the summit of the Cascade Mountains, and about ninety miles east of Medford, it is easily accessible, there being a good mountain road to the very top of the walls surrounding it, and fine camping grounds about half a mile distant. The lake itself is about six by eight miles in diameter, and ranges from east of north to west of south. The surface of the water is six thousand three hundred feet above sea level, and is completely surrounded by cliffs or walls from one thousand to nearly three thousand feet high, which are scantily covered with fir trees. To the southwest is a circular island, which our party named Wizard Island. It is six hundred feet high, and in the top is a circular hole, or extinct crater, four hundred and seventy-five feet in diameter, named by us the Witch's Caldron. The base of the island is covered with very heavy and hard rocks, over which scarcely a score of human feet have ever trod. Further are deep beds of ashes and cinders, giving evidence of the most intense heat in days gone by. Within the crater, as without, the surface is entirely covered with volcanic rocks, but here it forms one of the hottest places on a clear day in August that it has ever been my lot to witness. Ninety feet below the crater's rim not a breath of air can penetrate, while the sun beats down upon the rocky surface and reflects its rays from ten thousand upturned stones, forming a very furnace and heating it beyond all endurance. Nevertheless, we sat within it, at the lowest point, and partook of our Monday meal with one hand, while with the other great drops of sweat were brushed from our brows. We took with us from Portland a light canoe, which was lowered to the lake by the aid of ropes, and by means of which we were enabled to reach Wizard Island and see the surroundings from a point of observation seldom attained by visitors. We were also well paid for the trouble and expense, for the reason that, while the view from the shore is grand beyond description, that obtained from the lake is remarkable, and inspires one with a feeling of awe and awakens a deotn of appreciation for the sublime unequaled.—*Portland (Ore.) Standard*

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10.00 a.m.		Portage la Prairie		4.05 p.m.
1.35 p.m.		Brandon		1.00 p.m.
9.00 p.m.		Broadview		5.00 a.m.
2.22 a.m.		Regina		11.05 p.m.
5.0 a. m.		Moose Jaw		8.30 p.m.
2.00 p. m.		Swift Current		12.30 p m.
9.15 p. m.		Maple Creek		5.25 a.m
1,55 a. m.	Arrive	Medicine Hat	Leave	12.30 a.m

Going South			Going North	
Leave		Winnipeg	Arrive	
7.55 a.m.	7.35 p m		6.35 a m	7.00 p m
		Emerson		
10.35 a m	10.10 p m		4.05 a m	4.40 p m
Arrive		St. Vincent	Leave	
10.50 a m	10.30 p m		3.45 a m	4.20 p m

Going South				Going North
18.15 a m	Leave	Winnipeg	Arrive	8.00 p m
1.45 a m		Morris		4.00 p m
1.30 p m		Gretna		2.10 p m
4.30 p m	Arrive	Manitoba City	Leave	8.30 a m
8.35 a m	Leave	Winnipeg	Arrive	4.10 p m
9 35 a m		Stony Mountain		3.10 p m
10 00 a m	Arrive	Stonewall	Leave	2.30 p.m

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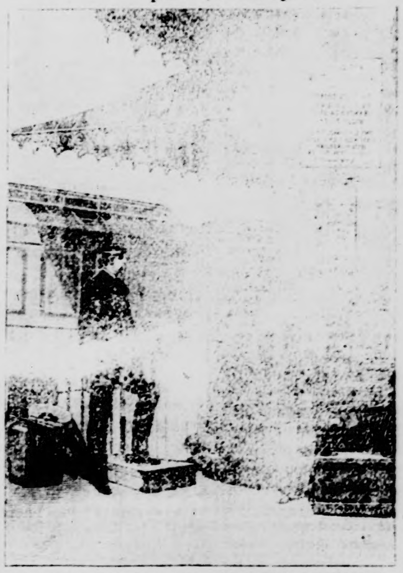

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Brandon Weekly Mail,

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1885.

RAILWAYS FOR BRANDON.

There are some people in this city who are opposed to additional railways, on the ground that the place is certain to prosper without them, and there is an amount of reason in the contention, but it is directed by selfish motives—by considerations that hardly stand the test when submitted to honest criticism. It is an established fact that no one locality more than another is blessed with royal birth—that no one locality should be built up or bolstered in any way at the expense of any other part of the country. If then Brandon would be certain to grow without further railways, it is simply for the reason that it has now one good outlet and inlet that many other places equally favored by nature are still deprived of. Some of the people to whom we allude argue that if the North West Central, or any other line on its propesed route, were constructed, it would give birth to other towns and villages along the line, in sections of the country, that are now wholly tributary to Brandon, and with which we readily agree, but the conclusion does not justify the contention. For a country to be, separate trom its towns and villages prosperous and progressive, the most remote of its farmers ought to be within twenty miles of a railway, and nearly the whole of them within a distance that could be traversed to and fro each day. With railway facilities so ramifying the country, farming in all its departments could be conducted successfully and profitably by all the settlers, and the villages located at the best centres, and that would exert the most energy and enterprise would grow and become supply centres for their sister towns and villages in every direction. It is the latter position we could hope to see Brandon enjoy, in the race for progress in this western country.

As for our part, we would much rather see Brandon prosper through the enterprise and energy of its citizens, than through patronage thrown into its hands by the circumstances of necessity. Starting out with such a view of the situation, we see not only a desire but a necessity for the immediate construction of the several lines projected. There is a pressing want for a road North Westerly, it not on the line of the projected North West Central, at least in that direction, and from the movement prevailing among railway men, it is a moral certainty steps will be begun in the early spring to secure its construction. Mr. Beaty seems to be in earnest about it now, and he has active competitors in the field. But as much necessity as there is for such a line, in view of the circumstances there is still greater need for the immediate construction of the Brandon South Western, through Plum Creek, to the Souris coal fields and thence South Westerly. It is a settled fact the settlers in the direction of such a project can get along but very poorly any longer without an outlet, and hence the frequent visits of delegations of late, to Winnipeg, to press for the extension of the Winnipeg South Western branches. That none of them can be blamed for this is quite apparent, as it is a matter of life or death with them; but Brandon should no longer remain a passive spectator to what is going on, she has rights and interests in this matter and ought to move at once, to assert them. The other day a delegation from Oakland and another from Plum Creek interviewed Mr. Egan with the idea of securing the extension of the South Western, from Treherne through this way via Souris City, and a hope was extended that such a route would be taken. If Brandon is alive to its own interests, if indeed it is anxious that its future should be any more than a small or a moderately sized town, it cannot stand idly by, and see the trade naturally its own, taken by its doors, to build up other centres. As we have already said the people in these localities cannot be blamed for bestirring themselves as their existence depends on their getting an outlet; but Brandon ought to be an active agent towards securing what will serve all purposes, these people's with its own. The C. P. R. too ought to have a consideration for natural rather than forced interests. Brandon is the judicial centre for the entire Western part of Manitoba, and the people of this large tract north as well as south prefer coming here to going to Winnipeg or elsewhere, as they can do so at less expense, and have their purposes equally served. Then, why does the C. P. R. not promise them the Brandon South Western, and give assurances it will be completed, instead of other connections? The people have long since been assured such a road would speedily be built; the judicial relations of the interested municipalities one with another, call for it; their commercial interests demand it—then why is not some step taken towards urging the speedy construction of the Brandon South Western? As delegations are all the fashion, we would suggest the city council should send a delegation to Mr. Egan to press the importance of this project forcibly upon his attention.

INGENIOUS, VERY.

There are a great many erratic prints of the Grit persuasion in Canada, but it is hard to tell whether it is the Winnipeg Free Press or the Globe that heads the class in Grit superiority. Sir John Macdonald has gone to England in connection with the Fishery Treaty being negotiated by Great Britain and the United States, and the Globe in its own rascally way misrepresents the situation, and manufactures several reasons for his visit, but all to its own liking. It first says "he skulked out"; but as he never "skulked" from the false hoods of the Globe, or scurril ous attacks of the Grit Press, but on the contrary has grown the stronger in the country the more the prints have frothed and foamed, we see but little he has to fear, at the present moment. Here, however, are a few of the Globe's causes for Sir John's trip. "On account of the unsatisfactory state of the finances;" "because everything is in confusion and in a muddle"; "to escape the angry remonstrances of his French colleagues [over the execution of Riel]"; "to let the feeling in the country subside", "to slow luck to repair his fortunes"; "to retire from the Premiership and take the office of High Commissionership, appointing Sir Charles Tupper his successor," "because his reign is at an end.' As Tory financing was never satisfactory to the Grits, there is nothing alarming in this demonstration of foresight on the part of the Globe, but it is surprising to us the finances should be in a "muddle" when the only man capable of "mixing and muddling" is Sir Richard Cartwright who has no more to do with their present standing than has the Globe writer himself. If again it is to take the High Commissionership, we fail to see what the "angry remonstrances of his colleagues" can have to do with it any way. The fact is reason and judgment have "skulked" out of the skull of the writer of the Globe and bigotry and hatred of the most virulent type have taken their place.

Sir John met Parliment in 1883, after the elections with the largest majority a government ever had in British North America, and that majority has grown larger every day, every bye election in constituencies formerly held by Grits adding one more vote to it on a division. This is the light in which the electors of Canada examine his leadership, and while such is the case, he can very naturally look disconcertedly on at the Globe indulging itself in its own amusement.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

"The Liberal party in Canada is very courageous. It has been out of office almost uninterruptedly for twenty-five years, and it wants to get in. It held a convention last week in the plague stricken city of Montreal. It wants to get something that will "take" with the electors of Canada. It is to be hoped the people won't catch on. The Liberal party seems to want to get the small-pox and then pit themselves against the Tories."—Detroit Free Press.

The Winnipeg Free Pres says: "White Cap should have been hanged "and his body sent to Toronto before "Halloween * * * we have some "sympathy with our own Indians "who rebelled; but the Sioux and "American Indians who have been "protected and treated with for more "kindness than they deserve in Can-"ada."

Happy should be our own Indians that they can thus be assured of Grit sympathy for being condemed to death as rebels; but unhappy White Cap, why were you not British born too, to share in their sympathy? What rot, as if it made any difference in the degree of an Indian rebel's crime whether he is an American Indian or a British Indian!—But White Cap may be a Tory Indian, who knows?

—The persistency with which the Winnipeg organs ignore and be little the steady progress and advancement of the city of Brandon is one of these things no fellow can understand. Are the Winnipeg people jealous of Brandon? They may have reason to be in the light of our city elevators, being the recipients of an average of 14,000 bushels of wheat per day, ever since the 1st. of November. One would imagine that a report of facts which redound to the welfare of the whole Province, would be eagerly taken up and discussed by newspapers who profess to express the public opinion of our Province?

—There is nothing that the average Winnipegger so prides himself upon as the belief that the whole essence of Manitoba is found in the metropolis on the muddy Red. It is a common thing to find young men and old too, who have never been out of Winnipeg during their sojourn in this Province, speak of the resources and extent of our Province with as much wisdom and knowledge as if they had travelled over it.

To these men and to the Winnipeg newspapers we would say "go west young man, go west." If you want to see the real solid wealth and developement of Manitoba, and practical evidences of its resources, and an unlimited supply of what is known as "Hard Red Fyfe," come to Brandon and view its Pacific avenue on any day of the week. There you will see from 50 to 100 and some days 150 teams laden with the golden berry, and the sight will awaken in your breast the thought that Winnipeg is not Manitoba, but on the contrary, Manitoba lies considerably west of Winnipeg.

—But, Winnipeg has a Free Press, our only morning daily, in which is bound up all the wisdom and patriotism, unselfish disinterestedness of an independent (?) journal—therefore if this independent and progressive journal overlooks the fact that there are other places in Manitoba besides its dear Winnipeg, and hould not record that Brandon is marketing more wheat in a day than is marketed in Winnipeg in a year, we must put it down as being peculiar, simply peculiar. Yet one would think that the circulation of daily reports from Brandon showing to the world, that notwithstanding the cry of frozen wheat there is a large and better yield of that cereal in Manitoba this year, than there has ever been before and Brandon the recognized centre of the Province, is having a boom, would redound to the credit and benefit of the Province as a whole. But the Free Press is nothing if not in consistent, and it would sooner give space to Farmers' Union bubble than announce the real solid progress and prosperity of the Province—simply because it is "agin the government."

Mrs. Frank, whose name appeared in these columns last week, in connection with that of Lockey, returned to the city on Monday, and is endeavoring to satisfy all interested the rumor was false from beginning to end, and for her sake we sincerely hope it is so. As for our part, we know nothing to establish even the shadow of guilt, beyond what Frank, her husband, told our reporter in the hearing of others. At the time he was informed there was every possibility he was mistaken in the ground for his suspicions, but he could not be persuaded that way. If the lady has been in any way wronged, she has but her husband, who appears to be an over grown sheep, if nothing worse, to blame for it all. We are glad to learn that the general impression is the woman's motives have been misrepresented, and for her sake, we heartily wish it is so.

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PROVINCIAL.

The board of management of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, having authorized the most Reverend the Metropolitan of Rupert's Land to send a representative to urge upon the Church of Canada the duty of contributing towards the extension of church work in the new settlements of Manitoba, His Lordship has appointed the Venerable W. Cyprian Pinkham, Archdeacon of Manitoba, to act in hat behalf. The archdeacon left for the ast last night. He will return at Christmas, as it is understood the board of missions desires that the season of Ebiphany may be used for appeals in its own behalf, will spend five or six weeks organizing in his archdeaconry, and will then revisit Eastern Canada to complete his duties there.

Last night a female, known as French Ellen, was accosted on Portage avenue east by two Italians who asked her to accompany them, and on her refusing to do so, seized her and began dragging her along with them. A man named Jack Mansfield, who happened to be near the place, responded to her cries for help, and as he approached them one of the men drew a knife and the other a revolver, with which he fired a shot at Mansfield, but missed him. The girl escaped and ran into a house in the vicinity, and the two Italians also got away for the time. Police Officer A Munro, who was on duty on Main street, heard that a shot had been fired, and began a search for the offendors. After hunting through several resorts in vain and getting as full a description of the parties as possible, he saw them on Main street and arrested them. The story that has been told was corroborated by his finding a knife on one man and a revolver on the other. They spent the night in the police station, and to day they will have justice meted out to them. It is said that the use of revolvers and knives is quite common among men of this class in the city, but that it is generally difficult to secure a conviction, as one man will not give evidence against another.

McBean Bros. are going to erect a new elevator at Virden.

Breadalbane school house had a tea meeting on the 17th, which proceeds netted $25.

John Bulloch, eleven years old and who lived with his father south of Virden, was accidentally killed last week, by being thrown from a wagon.

Meetings ore to be held at Virden and Elkhorn, on Saturday and Monday next, to consider the advisability of the Municipality aiding the erection of more elevators.

When the Governor-General went out to the mountains he was fortunate enough to meet with Bob Woods, who has been engaged in construction work on the C. P R. in that region. Robert's affability and versatility and general free-and-easy manner captivated His Excellency. He took the Governor under his wing, and made things about as comfortable for him as the circumstances admitted. Yesterday Mr. Woods received a pair of massive gold sleeve buttons from Lord Lansdowe in acknowledgement of "many social evenings spent in the tent and by the camp-fire," together with an autograph letter embodying His Excellency's thanks.

Neepawa, Man. Nov. 25.—On Monday last a child of four years, of Archie McDonald, living six miles east of Neepawa, was left in the house alone whilst sts mother went a distance of 40 or 50 rods from the house to milk the cows. She heard the cry: "Mother let me out." Whe she came back to the houae and opening the door she found three panes of glass broken out of the sash of the window and the child nowhere to be seen. After a thorough search of the premises and failing to find the child she aroused the neighbors. A diligens search has been kept up, but up to the present no trace of the child has been found. The whole affair is wrapped in mystery. The general supposition is that the child crawled through the window and was carried off by some wild animal, or that Indians have stolen the child. Tomorrow the people of the town will again turned out for vigorous search.

Rev. J. C. Quinn, M. A., formerly of Bathurst, N. B., has accepted the call from Emerson Presbyterian Church. He has the reputation of being an excellent preacher, and brings to his work here the advantage of extended experience in the east. He is a man of weight both in the English and Scotch sense of the phrase.

Yesterday E. Green was fined thirty dollars and costs for selling whiskey to Alex. Preston. Preston was the prosecuter.

Birtle Observer.

One of the most desirable cargoes yet received by the new Railway came in on Monday and consisted of 150 ewes and 4 thorough-bred rams. The valuable animals are for Mr. Andy of Russell. Mr. Andy already possesses a fine flock of sheep and is so satisfied with the profit and increase of his flock that he has determined to go largely into sheep raising.—Birtle Observer.

On Wednesday last as Mr. J. C. Schofield, near Minnedosa, was bringing in a load of household goods to town from his homestead, the tongue of the waggon came out of the neckyoke, tell down and caught in the ground, the shock throwing him off the load. One wheel of the waggon passed over his back, bruising him severely. Mr. Schofield was able to pick himself up, unhook the horses and walk to town, a distance of about three miles, but on arriving here was almost exhausted. He is now under the doctor's care, and his injuries are progressing favourably

AN OTTAWA SCANDAL

A Case in Which a Rat Portage Grass Widow Figured.

The case of Bell v. Colby, which was supposed to be a toothsome morsel of gossip, has been settled out of court at Ottawa, Mr. Colby M. P., for Stanstead, paying all damages and costs, and giving a letter of apology rather than allow the evidence in the case to be taken. And the New York Herald correspondent at the capital gives these particulars: Ottawa society has been deprived of the details of a first-class scandal, which was to have been ventilated at the Assize Court to-day, by the settlement of the case out-side the court room. The suit in question was brought by R. B. Bell, member of the Civil Service, against Mr. Colby, member of Parliament, who was charged with having used plaintiff's premises for immoral purposes and having slandered plaintiff's wife. Hon. John Carling, Postmaster-General was among the witnesses who were to have given evidence on plaintiff's behalf, as well as many others holding high political and social positions. This naturally gave additional interest to the case. H young and charming grass widow was a co-respondent in the suit. Some time since, although she had been separated from her husband for over a year, in order to quiet matters, Mr. Colby, who is an influential politician and prospective Minister of the Crown, persuaded the husband to return to his wife, at the same time securing him a good government position. The case was settled to-day, Colby paying all costs as well as heavy damages, the amount of which he refused to state. The affair has caused a great sensation, and it is not improbable that Lord Lansdowne may strike the names of the parties to the scandal from the lists of those who are to be admitted in the social gatherings at the Government house.

THE THREE AMERICAS.

The commercial and industrial cry of to-day is 'development.' New enterprises are being constantly inaugurated and new markets discovered and created. The western hemisphere, North, Central and South America afford a vast and a rich territory for these efforts. From the day of the first advent of Columbus to the present time constant surprises have awaited the researches of the enterprising. Every effort discovers new fields, unfolds new wealth. A vast undeveloped territory is awaiting the enterprise of the people of the present decade.

Of late years the attention of commercial men and manufacturers has been directed to the countries south, especially to Mexico and Central America. These countries not only contain many millons of population that need supplies and manufactured articles of which our own country produces a surplus, but are exceedingly rich in natural products and mineral wealth. A most potent factor in attracting attention to those countries, and establishing relations of comity and commercial reciprocity with their inhabitants was the late World's Exposition at New Orleans. Most of these countries were there represented, and large numbers of their citizens were visitors at the Exposition. The unfortunate delays and difficulties which attended the opening and earlier days of the World's Exposition, prevented a full realization of the benefits it was expected to produce. To remedy this a new company has been organized and a new Exposition will be opened.

We have received the prospectus of the North, Central and South American Exposition which opens on November the 10th, next. The new company has been organized with a capital of $500,000. It has purchased the building and plant of the World's Exposition and is now in possession of the same. It proposes to inaugurate even a greater and more interesting Exposition than the magnificent World's Exposition. The new company starts out under the most favorable circumstances, with the buildings and accessories in hand and in order for occupancy, and paid for, the great bulk of their work is already accomplished. Many of the prominent exhibitors at the World's Exposition have left their exhibits intact. Large numbers will return with greatly increased and far more attractive exhibits, and application for space from new exhibitors are pouring in in large numbers.

The new Exhibition will benefit largely from the experience of the old. The questions of railroad fares and accommodations become easy. The work of obtaining concessions and of systematizing having already been accomplished. Deficiencies and impediments in the management of the old Exhibition will be remedied. Nothing seems to stand in the way of a grand success. The public will rejoice and especially those who failed to attend the last magnificent Exposition that the opportunity for attendance is presented to them.

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R. T. EVANS,
Sec.-Treas.

Notice to Creditors!

The Creditors of David Carswell, late of Crefo[illegible], in the County of Minnedosa, in the Province of Manitoba, who died on or about the 12th day January, 1885, and all others having claims against his Estate are hereby notified to send by post prepaid, or otherwise deliver to Daly & Coldwell, of Brandon, the Solicitors for the Executors of the deceased on or before the 30th day of November, A. D. 1885, their Christian names and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their respective claims, a statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, (if any) held by them, and in default thereof, and immediately after the said 30th day of November, 1885, the assets of the said David Carswell, deceased, will be distributed amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall have been given as above required.

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Green eyes, although their praises are often sung in Spanish ballads, show deceit and coquetry.

Very dark blue eyes, with something of the tint of the violet, show great power of affection and purity of mind, but not much intellectuality.

Brown eyes, when not of the yellowish tint, but pure russet brown, show an affectionate disposition; the darker the brown the more ardent and passionate is the power of affection.

The brown eyes which do not appear black are the eyes of sweet, gentle and unselfish natures, without the inconsistancy of the light brown or yellow eyes—"golden eyes," as they were called by a lady novelist, and which are very little more to be trusted than the green eyes.

Clear, light blue eyes, with a calm steadfastness in their glance, are indicative of cheerfulness of disposition, of a serene temper and a constant nature. These eyes are peculiar to the Northern nations; one meets them among the Swedes, and also sometimes among the Scotch.

The blue eyes among the rare blondes of the South—that is, in Italy and Spain, have among them eyes in which are some greenish tints; and such eyes, though often called light blue, have none of the qualities of serenity and constancy which belong to the light blue eyes of the North.

Although the purely green eye indicates deceit and coquetry, the propensity to greenish tints in the eye is a sign of wisdom and courage. Very choleric persons, if they have blue eyes, have also certain tints of green in them, and when under the influence of anger a sudden red light appears in them.

In England, where there are more varieties of tints than in any other country, the poets have almost always gray eyes. A biographer of Byron speaks of his "beautiful, changeful gray eyes." Shakespeare also had, we are told, gray eyes; Coleridge, eyes of a greenish gray. Among the artists, too, eyes of this color abound.

The pleasant light blue eye with the honest glance must not be confounded with another sort of eye of a pale blue, almost steel colored hue, which has a continually shifting sort of motion, both of the eyelids and the pupils of the eye. People with such eyes as these are to be avoided, as they are indicative of a deceitful and selfish nature.

Gray eyes, of a somewhat greenish gray, with orange as well as blue in them, and which are of ever varying tints like the sea, are those which denote most intellectuality. They are especially indicative of the impulsive, impressionable temperament—a mixture of the sanguine and the bilious—which produces the poetic and artistic natures.—*N. Y. Herald.*

BETTING WOMEN.

Impulsive, Illogical and Whimsical, She Is Sure to be Unsuccessful.

A bet made she usually regrets it. Posted as to performances of horses and jockeys they are, but the knowledge is of little use, as it is not taken advantage of when they come to place their money. A favorite among the jockeys, no matter what his mount may be, often decides the way in which their money is to be placed. Oftener still the money is placed upon the representative of a favorite stable. There is hardly one betting woman in ten who will not place her money on a horse owned by one of the Lorillards. When both have entries for the same event a prejudice in favor of the one or the other decides the placing of their money. The second factor in leading them to a decision in such a case as that named is the jockey; the third, the positions of the horses in the bookmaker's estimation. Women, as a rule, have no use for short horses. They prefer to back the favorite on the theory that the favorite usually wins, and though the returns for their investment may be less, that it's better to make a little than to lose all. Risk they don't want to think of. Certainties are what they are after.

With the novices among betting women their entrance into the fascinating game is attended by many queer notions. They are ignorant as to the merits of horses and riders. The novitiate then looks over a list of horses, and finds a name that pleases her and places her first five dollars in the mutual pool-box to back a horse whose name she fancies. Old betting men say that Caramel has probably been more favored in this way than any horse on the turf, and hundreds of women have lost their first five dollars because that is "such a sweet, pretty name." The women learn better after a while. Another stumbling block for the novices are the colors sported by the jockeys. A favorite color on a spruce jockey often draws out from the pocket-book of some fair one the first five dollars she has ever bet on the uncertain chances of a dash around the track. If she wins the color ever remains her favorite. If she loses, that color also loses forever for her all attractiveness it may have before had. Once a woman is "in the swim" of the running track, however, she will remain there just as long as her money holds out, and even then the fascination of the track clings to her and she is ever its slave.—*N. Y. Times.*

ENGLISH POLITICS.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—So far 58 Tories, 50 Liberals, and 5 Parnellites have been elected. O'Connor defeated the Tory candidate in the Scotland division of Liverpool by a majority of 1,231. The Tory candidate defeated Childers in Pontefract. Ashmead Bartlett, Conservative, is elected in Sheffield. The net gains so far are: Liberals, 2; Tories, 17

Yesterday's voting was decisive of the collapse of the Liberals. If the Conservative successes continue in the same ratio, which is now considered probable, the Conservative majority in Parliament will overtop the combined Liberal and Parnellite votes. Of the three greatest electoral and voting districts yesterday Liverpool returned eight Conservatives and the Nationalist; Leeds three Conservatives and two Liberals (Herbert Gladstone and Sir Lyon Playfair, both of whom are popular), and Sheffield three Conservatives and two Liberals. The Conservative majorities are mostly large, while the majorities of the Liberals are small. Lord Randolph Churchill carried Paddington by a vote of 2,731 against 1,025 for his opponent. The defeat of Gladstone's ministers, Hugh Childers and Lefevre, and two of his under secretaries, Hayter and Holmes, adds to the Conservative triumph. The Liberals carried a number of new seats, but in no instance did they oust a Tory from old Conservative districts, whereas the Conservative successes chiefly obtained in former Liberal divisions. At the Reform, Devonshire and National Liberal Clubs, the defeat of the Liberals rely upon successes in the urban and county divisions to modify the results. The Pall Mall Gazette says: "To the Liberals, whether Radical, or Whig, who have not voted to unite in order to prevent the unmixed evil of Tory ascendancy so complete as to overpower all opposition, the defeat is due." "Scotland," the Gazette adds, "remains true to the Liberals." The Irish vote gave powerful assistance to the Conservatives in the boroughs of Lancashire.

The Tory newspapers to day say that so far the Tory reaction exceeds the Liberal reaction of 1880.

Parnell has issued a circular to the electors of Ulster, instructing them how to vote where there are Nationalist candidates.

Following is a list of the candidates elected: Liverpool, West Toxteth Division, F. B Royden, Conservative; East Toxteth, Baron De Worms, Conservative; Walton Division, J. Gibson, Conservative. In the Exchange Division Bailey received 2,954 votes, defeating O'Shea, Liberal, who received 2,909. In the Kirkdale Division Powell defeated Redmond by 3,391 to 765. The Abercromby division elected W. F. Lawrence, Conservative; Everton division, E. Whitly, Conservative; Derby west division, Mr. Hamilton, Durham, the Tory candidate defeating T. C. Thompson, Parnell's protege; Northampton, H. L'Abouchere and C. Bradlaugh, Liberals; South Paddington, Lord R. Churchill, Conservative defeated Skinner by 2,631 to 1,025; Reading, Murdereh defeated Lefevre, Liberal, 3,518 to 3,389. In Deptford the Tory candidate, defeated the Liberal candidate, who was a native of India.

West Leeds, Herbert Gladstone, Liberal. Derby Sir W. V. Harcourt and Troe, Liberals; Fullham W. Hayes Fisher, Consevrative, defeated Rush Sheridich; Haggerston Division, W, R, Cremer, labor candidate; West Bristol, Sir M. H. Beach, Conservative; Central Hackney, Sir Guyer Hunter, Conservative, defeated John Holmes, Liberal; South Bethnal Green, George Howell, Labor; East Hull, William Saunders, of the Central News, Liberal; East Edinburgh, G. J. Goschen, Liberal; in Bolton J. K. Cross, as under secretary in Gladstone's administration was defeated; in Portsmouth Sir H. D. Wolff, Conservative, was defeated, being at the bottom of the poll. Returns up to 3 a. m., show 88 Liberals, 82 Tories and 5 Parnellites elected. The Liberals have thus far gained 3 seats and the Tories 23. The excitement over the Tory reaction is unchecked.

The News attributes the defeat of the Liberals to the Church and Parnell vote, but says there is no need to despair if the Whigs and Radicals maintain active unity. Portsmouth has elected the two Liberal candidates.

DUBLIN, Nov. 25.—In the municipal elections to day the Nationals won 5 wards, four of which had been previously held by Conservatives.

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CITY OF BRANDON,

Notice is hereby given that a

Meeting of the Electors.

of the City of Brandon will be held in the City Hall on

Monday, 17th Dec. 1885

at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon for the nomination of candidates for the office of Mayor, and at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon of the same day for the nomination of candidates for the office of Aldermen for each ward. Should two or more candidates be nominated for the office of Mayor, or three or more for the office of Aldermen in any ward, the proceedings at such meeting shall be adjourned until the 14th day of December, 1885, at nine o'clock a m., when a poll will be opened in each ward for the election of Mayor and Aldermen respectively or as the case may require.

Dated this 17th day of November, A.D. 1885.

JOHN C. KERR,
City Clerk.

'86. MAYORALTY. '86.

To the Elector's of the City of Brandon:

GENTLEMEN,—The relations I have borne to the City of Brandon for some time past, as a representative at the Council Board, seemed to render my retirement both proper and desirable at the close of the present year.

Repeated requests of former opponents as well as supporters to become a candidate for the Mayoralty for the ensuing year I can hardly refuse, and will, in consequence, again solicit your suffrages.

Of my fitness for the position I have only to refer you to my past record, and the assurance that my constant purpose, if again elected, will be to see that the city's affairs are so managed that her welfare and future interests will thereby be best promoted.

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

Jas. A. Smart.

Storm Windows!

PRICES REDUCED

For the balance of the season.

No House Can be Comfortable

Without them. Send your orders to the factory and get lowest prices.

Brandon Planing Mill Co., Brandon.

Look Out!

For the advertisement next week, of the

Pioneer Boot and Shoe House,

9th St. This is the popular establishment of the city.

W. Senkbiel, Prop.

Burdock Blood Bitters

Cures Dizziness, Loss of Appetite, Indigestion, Biliousness, Dyspepsia, Jaundice, Affections of the Liver and Kidneys, Pimples, Blotches, Boils, Humors, Salt Rheum, Scrofula, Erysipelas, and all diseases arising from Impure Blood, Deranged Stomach, or irregular action of the Bowels.

EXTRAORDINARY NEWS!

For the People of Manitoba and the Northwest.

-GEO. BAWDEN-

Clothier & General Outfitter of the City of Brandon.

Having paid a visit to the Eastern Markets during the past summer, I made some very heavy purchases in several lines of Fall and Winter goods, such as Tweed Suits, Tweed Overcoats.

Etoff Ulsters, Underclothing & Heavy Woolen Shirts.

At greatly reduced prices---that are usually paid for first-class goods; and finding when his immense stock arrived that it was altogether too large for his old place of business,

THE GOLDEN LION CLOTHING STORE.

Has been compelled to open a second place of business in DURST'S new brick block, known as

BEAVER HALL CLOTHING STORE.

Where the Rush for FIRST-CLASS CLOTHING, GENT'S FURNISHINGS and FURS of all descriptions has been going on for the past two weeks. Do not fail to pay a visit to either of the above stores if you wish to get more than value for the money invested.

GEO. BAWDEN, the only Clothier and Outfitter in the City of Brandon.

TOWN TOPICS

Mr. W. H. Sowden, of the Souris, was in the city last week.

The Judicial Board met on Tuesday, and is likely to spend the week on business.

The Rev. Mr. Quinn will preach in "Knox Church," Rosser avenue, next Sabbath moring and evening.

Great progress has been made in the preparation of "Ten Nights in a Bar Room." The scenery is now ready and presents a magnificent appearance.

Reeve Pollock, of Napinka, has been interviewing the Judicial Board. It appears their clerk has bungled the collectors' roll, and he asks the Board to rectify it.

Mr. Purvis held forth at Virden last week, but we guarantee he did not explain why it is the Union pays a percentage to D. L. McKenzie instead of handling their wheat themselves.

The price of wheat is higher at Minnedosa than at Portage La Prairie, and yet there is so little brought to market at the former place, that Ogilvie threatens to withdraw his buyer from the market.

Mr. John Wake, of Minnedosa, took a large drove of cattle to Brandon on Tuesday last, which are for points along the C. P. R. as far as Calgary. He also took a quantity of butter and a carload of oats.

The Ottawa Citizen says:—Captain Lawrence Buchan, of Mounted Infantry School, Winnipeg, is expected here shortly, en route for Quebec. He intends taking a course in the Cavalry School, Quebec, and will also attend the School of Infantry at Toronto.

Some of the creditors of the Portage have met the council, and a basis of settlement has been arrived at. It is not improbable the creditors will except 50 cents on the dollar with interest at 4 per cent. for the first ten years and at 5 per cent. thereafter.

On Monday last several of the Oak River Indians brought loads of wheat to town, and one Dawson got the highest price on the market. He wore boots and all the other clothes of a civilized Manitoban. Who says after this there is no chance for the "Haythen Chinee."

The following from the Virden paper will be of interest to the Grit clique that manages the polling booths in this city: Mr. W. C. Hunter left for Brandon last saturday, where he will remain for about five weeks. Our young lawyer has made himself very popular during his residence here and will receive a hearty welcome when he returns.

We send out a catalogue of Lovell's Library in this issue, it will pay all readers to look over carefully. The list embraces some of the choicest literature of the day. The entire stock is for sale at the Mail Bookstore, post office building, and will be sent postage paid to any address in the North-West, for the price named with 5 cents added for postage. Now is the time to secure the best of reading for the winter evenings.

In our last issue, we stated the Free Press was a monomaniac whenever it mentioned the name of Sir John Macdonald. And the wit of the print was sufficiently pungent to reply that the MAIL is a monomaniac always. Now, what bothers most of the Grits of this country is to find a name for the disease that induced Brother Luxton to endorse notes to establish a paper to support John Norquay, when the Free Press is to a superficial observer making such an effort to secure his downfall.

Lockey, the head of 40 wars, was referred to in our last issue, took Lincoln's advice and went west on Friday—in charge of two mounted policemen, on the old charge of smuggling whiskey into the North West. Lockey on the other hand claims to have had a man lay an information against him for the present offence, and that he has been already fined for it; but as a magistrate is liable to a penalty for disposing of a case without the original charge against him, it is more than likely Lockey will spend another term in the gaol near the residence of Nicholas Flood Davin.

The propesed location of the city scales—in front of Robinson Bros.' store—became so objectionable to the ratepayers, that a special meeting of the city council was called for Monday night last to reconsider it. The result of the meeting is that tenders are asked for another location and management under the by-law.

Mr. Peterson, of the Imperial Bank here, was taken ill yesterday, of some brain complaint, and is to start to-day for his father's residence in St. Catherines. Mr. Peterson is a very popular young man, and his numerous friends here will be glad to hear of his speedy recovery and return to our metropolis.

The city council could not do better than purchase some of the views of the Brandon wheat market on Pacific avenue, gotten up by Mr. Devine, artist. Those posted up in the emigrating localities of Great Britain, could not fail to give the place an advertisement it cannot secure in any other way.

From the appearance of things Brandon is shortly to have another brood of lawyers, and a pretty clever one at that. Last week no less than three limbs passed very creditable examinations at Winnipeg. W. C. Aunter passed his second Intermediate and W. R. Bowley and R. Matheson first Intermediate. Mr. Matheson was the only one out of 17 applicants who passed without an oral, and scored 75 per cent. and of the sixteen who passed with an oral, Mr. Bowley stood third.

W. Green, a youth of 8 or 9, son of Mr. Green, laborer, stole $20 from H. M. Sage the other day, and was locked up yesterday. After getting the money, young Green commenced to hire horses, buy cigarettes and play gentleman in general. It is a pity to see a youth of this age set out on such a life, but the parties who took his money for such merchandise are nearly as bad as he is. They must have known that he, the son of a poor laborer, did not come by the money honestly, and instead of taking his money they should have commenced an inquiry as to how he came by it.

Mr. W. Somerville, of Deloraine, and Mr. F. W. Main, of Montefiore, were pleasant callers at the MAIL office last week. Both gentlemen brought loads of farm produce—Mr. Somerville a load of pork—to the city, and the distance they had to travel and the prices they obtained, made them feel keenly the necessity for a better outlet for their goods, to render farming a paying business in their settlement. Mr. Main is an old settler, of some 12 years residence in the country, and by diligence has secured a handsome property, that he will turn to good account when the railway reaches his vicinity. Mr. Somerville, was always an extensive farmer and grain dealer in Ontario near the Credit river, where he still owns considerable possessions, though holding a considerable stake here embracing several farms near Deloraine. He intends to erect an elevator on the nearest point of the South Western to his place which may not be more than three or four miles distant, and will then go into grain handling, which is properly speaking his general business.

Two men named respectively Lipsey and Nation, and who live near the Pipestone, had a narrow escape from the clutches of a bear in that locality last week. They were both out in a waggon late at night and altogether unarmed. It grew dark in passing through a bluff, and Nation got out to find the trail ahead of the team, when he interrupted the meditations of his bearship. Nation then called his comrade, and as the latter approached, bruin clenched him and felled him to the ground. In the extremity Nation thought of an iron whiffletree attached to the waggon and he got this as speedily as his fright would let him. With this weapon, he gave bruin two or three heavy blows across the head, when the animal left go his intended victim and tumbled down the embankment. Nation picked up his comrade who was badly bruised and scratched, with most of his clothes in fragments about him, and drove about three miles to the nearest house. In the morning a party went out to search for the bear, but he was nowhere to be found. Lipsey will sustain no serious result, but both men were badly frightened, and they never again want to have such close relations with a bear, without a flint headed arrow or something more penetrating.

Hurrah for Paisley!

NO TIME

For personal canvass. Vote for the two best men in WARD FOUR and

PAISLEY

IS SURE OF ELECTION.

LADIES!

Repeat Orders

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DRESS GOODS,
FURS,
FACINATORS,
JERSEYS,
SHAWLS,

Opened Up To-Day.

Gents' & Boy's Clothing,

Overcoats, Moccasins, Mitts &c., for every-body.

We may be left on the 14th Dec., but we show a stock of

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inferior to none in the city.

Come & See Us.

PAISLEY.